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Applicant(s): YOSHIOKA, et al.

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For: METHOD OF PROCESSING SPECIMENS, AND APPARATUS
THEREFOR AND A METHOD OF MANUFACTURE OF A
MAGNETIC HEAD

Group: 1746

Examiner: A. Olsen

AMENDMENT

MS Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 16, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, and further to the RCE
filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as set forth herein.

This amendment replaces the amendment filed on September 16, 2003, and which
was not entered. All amendments herein show changes relative to the last entered
amendment. This paper includes the following items:

Amendment to the Specification;

Amendment to the Claims; and

Remarks.